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H. F. No. 3248

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Finance and Policy

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to state lands; authorizing exchange of land in St. Louis County; providing
- 1.3 for land acquisition trust fund in St. Louis County.
- 1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.5 Section 1. LAND EXCHANGE; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.
- 1.6 (a) Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 92.461, and the riparian restrictions in
- 1.7 Minnesota Statutes, section 94.342, subdivision 3, St. Louis County may, with the approval
- 1.8 of the Land Exchange Board as required under the Minnesota Constitution, article XI,
- 1.9 section 10, and according to the remaining provisions of Minnesota Statutes, sections 94.342
- 1.10 to 94.347, exchange the land described in paragraph (c).
- 1.11 (b) The conveyance must be in the form approved by the attorney general. The attorney
- 1.12 general may make necessary changes to the legal description to correct errors and ensure
- 1.13 accuracy.
- 1.14 (c) The lands that may be conveyed are located in St. Louis County and are described
- 1.15 as:
- 1.16 (1) Sections 1 and 2, Township 53 North, Range 18 West;
- 1.17 (2) Sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, and 32, Township 54 North, Range 17 West;
- 1.18 (3) Sections 24, 25, 26, and 35, Township 54 North, Range 18 West;
- 1.19 (4) Sections 22, 23, 26, and 27, Township 54 North, Range 19 West; and
- 1.20 (5) Sections 8, 9, 17, and 18, Township 55 North, Range 18 West.

2.1 Sec. 2. **LAND ACQUISITION TRUST FUND; ST. LOUIS COUNTY.**

2.2 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, and any other law relating to the
2.3 apportionment of proceeds from the sale of tax-forfeited land, St. Louis County may deposit
2.4 proceeds from the sale of tax-forfeited lands into a tax-forfeited land acquisition trust fund
2.5 established by St. Louis County under this section. The principal and interest from the fund
2.6 may be spent on the purchase of lands better suited for retention and management by St.
2.7 Louis County. Lands purchased with money from the land acquisition trust fund must:

2.8 (1) become subject to a trust in favor of the governmental subdivision wherein the lands
2.9 lie and all laws related to tax-forfeited lands; and

2.10 (2) be used for forestry, mineral management, or environmental services.